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1. PRIME MINISTER ARRIVED HERE TODAY TO MAKE A
FIRST-HAND INSPECTION OF MEASURES TAKEN TO DEAL
WITH THE PROBLEMS CREATED BY THE JUNE 20 EARTH-
QUAKE. THE PRIME MINISTER INTENDS TO VISIT HIS
HOME DISTRICT OF SERRES TOMORROW TO INSPECT
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EARTHQUAKE DAMAGE THERE AND ATTEND LIBERATION
CELEBRATIONS AND TO RETURN TO THESSALONIKI ON
FRIDAY FOR A BRIEF VISIT BEFORE RETURNING TO
ATHENS.

2. THREE EXPERTS FROM U. S. GEODETIC SURVEY
BEGAN THEIR WORK THIS MORNING WITH A CALL ON LOCAL

OFFICIALS AND EXPERTS. THEY ALSO TOURED DAMAGED PARTS OF THE CITY AND VISITED THE EARTHQUAKE'S EPICENTER. IT IS STILL TOO EARLY FOR THEM TO REACH ANY CONCLUSIONS CONCERNING THE RECENT SERIES OF EARTHQUAKES THIS AREA HAS UNDERGONE.

3. THE FLOW OF RESIDENTS BACK TO THE CITY REMAINS A TRICKLE. THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY REFUSE TO STAY IN MULTI-STORY BUILDINGS. A SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF SHOPS AND STORES REMAIN CLOSED, INCLUDING A NUMBER OF RESTAURANTS. A CHECK OF THE CITY'S LEADING HOTELS REVEAL THAT THEY ARE SUFFERING A MAJOR ECONOMIC CRISIS BECAUSE OF THE QUAKE. AT THIS BUSY TIME OF THE YEAR HOTELS ARE 60 TO 80 PERCENT EMPTY, AND THE MANAGERS PLEADED THA WE SPREAD THE WORD THAT THE CITY HAS NOT BEEN REDUCED TO SHAMBLES. THE CITY'S FANOUS OLD HOTEL--THE MEDITERRANEAN--HAS BEEN CLOSED DUE TO HEAVY DAMAGE. HOTEL OWNERS IN THE HALKIDIKI RESORT AREA REPORT A NORMAL AMOUNT OF BUSINESS FOR THIS TIME OF YEAR AND POINTED OUT THAT VERY FEW GREEKS WERE STAYING AT THESE HOTELS. LAST, WITH THE DISCOVERY OF TWO MORE BODIES AT THE SITE OF THE COLLAPSED APARTMENT BUILDING, THE NUMBER OF VICTIMS HAS RISEN TO 50.
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